

Date: Friday, February 18, 2022
Time: 1630 to 1730 hours
Location: Microsoft TEAMS
Topic: Freedom Convoy

The meeting objective will be for intelligence and information sharing, to assist with informing local decision making and identifying opportunities for strategic collaboration. The intent is not to make operational decisions, or provide operational direction. It is to ensure that information and structures are in place to assist with joint decision making amongst affected police services.

Agenda

1. Ottawa Situational Update:

Chief Steve Bell, Ottawa PS
Deputy Commissioner Chris Harkins, OPP
Deputy Commissioner Michael Duheme, RCMP

Commissioner- thank you to all of you- tremendous support. OPS not able to join the meeting.
This is truly a nationwide response.

2. Intelligence Picture

Deputy Commissioner Chuck Cox and Insp Jim Walker OPP

Deputy Cox

- [REDACTED] wanted for threats/ harassing. Flags MH, V- Freeman on the land ideology. Was located in Gatineau and now in custody.
- [REDACTED] in custody. [REDACTED] was calling for more to come to the hill prior to arrest.
- Info that hacker had gained access and exposed info online about people who had donated. DRPS engaged and ensuring that hacker safety not compromised.
- Hard Hats for Freedom arrived in Ottawa 10-15 vehicles.

- Hearst Convoy enroute to Ottawa. Over 2700 members
- Info that protesters returning to the Ambassador Bridge for tomorrow.
- Monitoring the Alberta freedom convoy- still out there on open source
- The Line CDA calling for people to go to Ottawa
- KKK Convoy go home planning a banner drop over the DVP
- Potential protest in Cornwall tomorrow.
- Coutts- checking any link to Ottawa- nothing yet to suggest those individuals charged are those in Ottawa.
- Seeing protests pop up in multiple locations; 7 identified demonstrations planned for CROPP areas on Saturday. Believe we will be seeing for a period of time. Continue to monitor the reaction to events in Ottawa.
- Indication that trucks that have left are going to Embrun. Other location is a lot outside of Ottawa in Arnprior. Approx. 15 trucks in Embrun. Have tents and outhouses. Arnprior had 20 trucks but have since left. Potential that some going to Embrun area.

Commissioner off ramps to the 417 are shut down. Secured zone 1. In process of securing zone 2 out of 7.

- Sharing information re. protests. Several arrests but more that we consider to be the organizers. POIB fully engaged and collecting intelligence across Canada. Will meet with partners on investigative approach
- 2 Cased CIB managers and 2 CIB S/Sgts. Brad Collins and Bryan McDermott engaged in Project Evergreen- interrupting financial crime related to the funds. Funds restrained- TD Bank in full cooperation.
- 1.1M\$ crypto currency being traced.
- Civil action launched- orders cease of transactions. MAG discussions occurring whether the entire law be transferred to Crown Law Civil. MAG reviewing.
- Emerg Measures act- EMA assets power- POI / details of vehicles- made to financial institutions. 30 products being frozen. Dollar value to be determined.
- WR Randy Gaynor and S/Sgt Shawn Chatland engaged in support of Windsor investigations.
- Examining Criminal Code/ Crown Law Criminal and application of laws.

3. Response to Known Events

Toronto, Hamilton, Niagara, Windsor, Cornwall

Niagara- Bryan Macculloch

- Planning in coordination

Rohan Thompson

- Constant consultation with Niagara for tomorrow.

Dwight Thib

- Received update that may be a gathering at 5pm tonight in WR/ Windsor area.
- Bluewater Bridge status quo

Karl Thomas

- Quiet at Cornwall bridge today. OPS plan and resources in place to deploy.

RCMP- Deputy Commissioner Arcand- expecting small demonstration in Fredricton- no work of travel to Ottawa. St Jerome and Gatineau protests scheduled for tomorrow. They're asking people who are coming to Ottawa to come without flags/ signs to counter security.

Accounts frozen- 64 financial product- 59 to be frozen. RCMP working on 39 vehicles and 2 individuals. Will provide to financial institution. Sharing names of drivers with OPS centre-

Not going to act on the Insurance revoke of drivers in case they want to leave –so not leaving without being insured. Will work with intel centre later if required.

Commissioner Carrique- no revoking of insurance/ DLs yet that we have seen here yet.

Arcand- we offer to the bank if they have a client stating no longer part of protest- will need to show up at bank outside of Ottawa to prove they have left.

I would be the contact for financial portion if any partners have questions.

CBSA- Status Update

Denis Vignette:

- Operations are in touch with your local representatives.
- Tracking BC and AB
- EMA- can deny foreign nationals. Have not had to use that authority yet.

4. POU Hub-coordination of Resources

Superintendent Mike McDonell, OPP

Superintendent Tom Berczi, Waterloo Regional PS

A/S/Superintendent Peter Moreira, Toronto PS

Superintendent Shaun Narine, Toronto PS

Inspector Tim Skinner York Regional Police

Supt McDonell- S/Supt Peter Moreira- Central and West Hub. Tom Berczi

Peter Moreira- Waterloo relieved Windsor

Hamilton heading over Saturday

OPP have left the West hub- now central in Vaughan.

Peel, TPS and YPR and DRPS sections in Ottawa

We have 2 here in TO

Monitoring with PRPS airport- small content there.

Sudbury- 3 teams- form part of 1 section in Ottawa.

McDonell- some out of province teams incoming tonight.

Will maintain ground seized today.

DRPS- Joseph Maiorano- Aaron Waitford reached out to see if interest in forming a committee- request being made through OACP through legal advisors committee.

Commissioner- will send you some names established.